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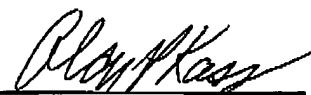
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Applicants enclose a set of claims for review by the Examiner in charge of the application prior to have a telephonic discussion.

The above set of claims is based on a review of the Office Action dated July 30, 2003 as well as prior conversations with the Examiner in charge of the application.

In the Office Action, claims 22 to 26 and 28 were allowed and claims 2, 6, 11, 12, 14, 18, and 35 were objected to. In a subsequent telephone conference with the Examiner in charge of the application on September 24, 2003, it was indicated that claims 4, 20 and 37 should have been objected to and not rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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